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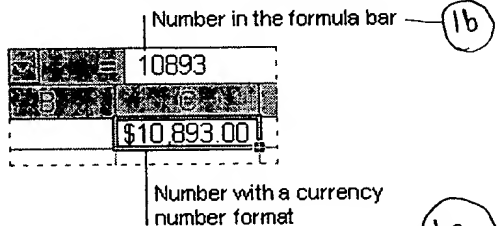
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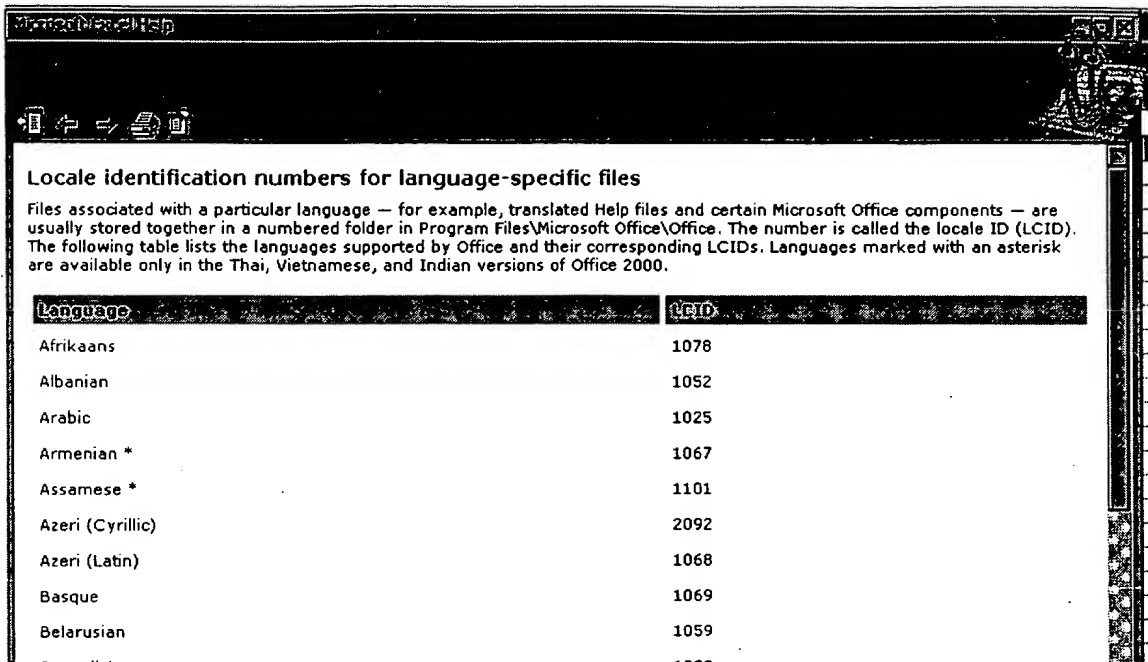
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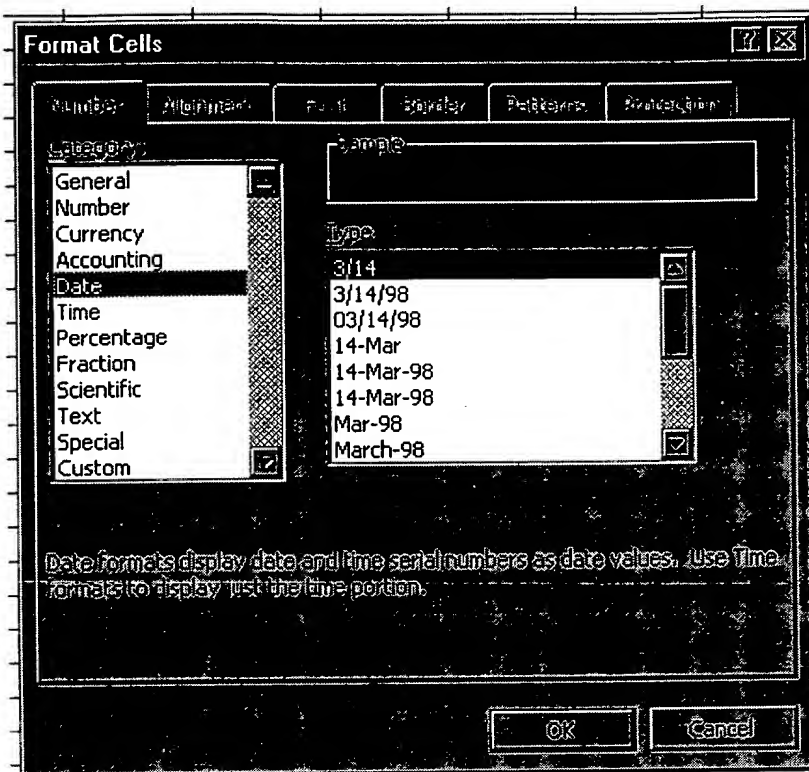
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Minutes as 0-59	M
Minutes as 00-59	Mm
Seconds as 0-59	S
Seconds as 00-59	Ss
Hours as 4 AM	h AM/PM
Time as 4:36 PM	h:mm AM/PM
Time as 4:36:03 P	h:mm:ss A/P
Elapsed time in hours; for example, 25.02	[h]:mm
Elapsed time in minutes; for example, 63:46	[mm]:ss
Elapsed time in seconds	[ss]
Fractions of a second	h:mm:ss.00

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Syntax

EUROCONVERT(number,source,target,full_precision,triangulation_precision)

Number is the currency value you want to convert, or a reference to a cell containing the value.

Source is a three-letter string, or reference to a cell containing the string, corresponding to the ISO code for the source currency. The following currency codes are available in the EUROCONVERT function:

Country	Basic unit of currency	ISO code
Belgium	franc	BEF
Luxembourg	franc	LUF
Germany	deutsche mark	DEM
Spain	peseta	ESP
France	franc	FRF
Ireland	pound	IEP
Italy	lira	ITL
Netherlands	guilder	NLG
Austria	schilling	ATS
Portugal	escudo	PTE
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Euro member states	euro	EUR

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Denmark	krone	DKK
Greece	drachma	GRD
Sweden	krona	SEK
UK	pound sterling	GBP

Target is a three-letter string, or cell reference, corresponding to the ISO code of the currency to which you want to convert the number. See the previous Source table for the ISO codes.

Full_precision is a logical value (TRUE or FALSE), or an expression that evaluates to a value of TRUE or FALSE, that specifies how to round the result.

Use**If you want Excel to**

FALSE

Use the currency-specific rounding rules, see the table that follows. Excel uses the calculation precision value to calculate the result and the display precision value

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TRUE

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The following table shows the currency specific rounding rules, that is, how many decimal places Excel uses to calculate a currency's conversion and display the result.

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FRF	2	2
IEP	2	2
ITL	0	0
NLG	2	2
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FIM	2	2
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Triangulation_precision is an integer equal to or greater than 3 that specifies the number of significant digits to be used for the intermediate euro value when converting between two euro member currencies. If you omit this argument, Excel does not round the intermediate euro value. If you include this argument when converting from a euro member currency to the euro, Excel calculates the intermediate euro value that could then be converted to a euro member currency.

Remarks

- Excel truncates any trailing zeros in the return value.
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- Invalid parameters return #NUM.
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Examples

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The examples show the resulting value stored in the cell, not the formatted value.

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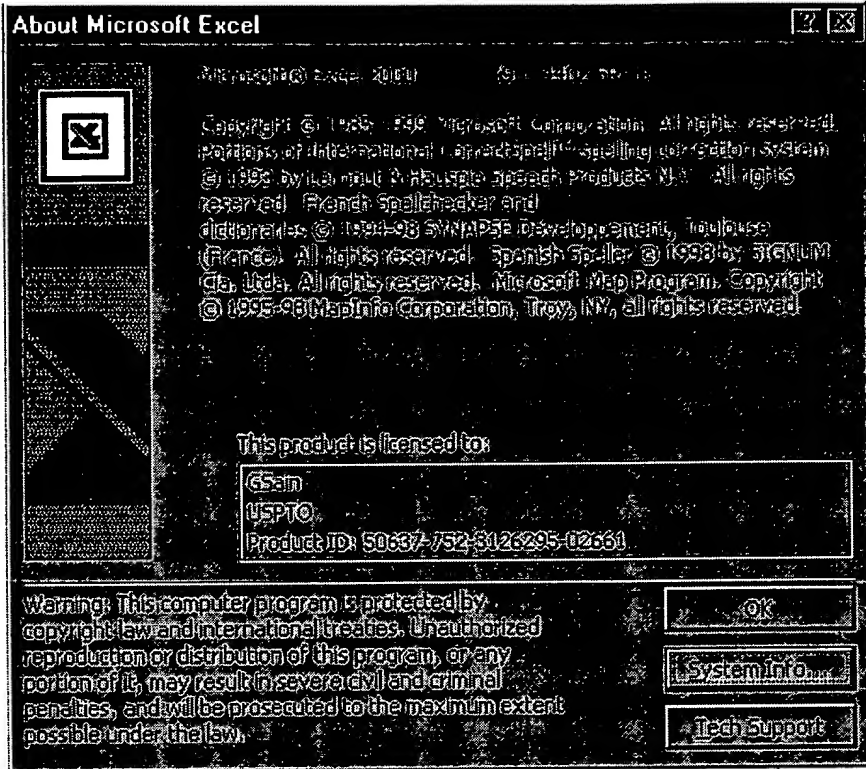
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Croatian	1050
Czech	1029
Danish	1030
Dutch	1043
English (Australian)	3081
English (Canadian)	4105
English (U.K.)	2057
English (U.S.)	1033
Estonian	1061
Faeroese	1080
Farsi	1065
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French	1036
French (Canadian)	3084
Frisian	1122
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Greek	1032
Gujarati *	1095
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Hindi *	1081
Hungarian	1038
Icelandic	1039
Indonesian	1057
Italian	1040
Japanese	1041
Kannada *	1099
Kashmiri *	1120
Kazakh	1087
Konkani *	1111
Korean	1042
Latvian	1062
Lithuanian	1063
Lithuanian (Classic)	2087
Macedonian	1071
Malay	1086
Malayalam *	1100
Manipuri *	1112
Marathi *	1102
Nepali *	1121
Norwegian Bokmal	1044
Norwegian Nynorsk	2068
Oriya *	1096
Polish	1045
Portuguese (Brazil)	1046
Portuguese (Portugal)	2070
Punjabi *	1094
Romanian	1048
Russian	1049

Sanskrit *	1103
Serbian (Cyrillic)	3098
Serbian (Latin)	2074
Sindhi *	1113
Slovak	1051
Slovenian	1060
Spanish	3082
Swahili	1089
Swedish	1053
Tamil *	1097
Tatar	1092
Telugu *	1098
Thai *	1054
Turkish	1055
Ukrainian	1058
Urdu	1056
Uzbek (Cyrillic)	2115
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If you installed Microsoft Office, you can use the Office Binder to keep related files created in different programs together (as you might use a binder clip). For example, if you have a Microsoft Word document, a Microsoft Excel workbook, and Microsoft PowerPoint slides that make up a single report, place them in a binder to work on them together. In a binder, you can do any of the following:

- Check spelling and grammar
- Apply a consistent style
- Add page numbers consecutively across all the files (called sections in the binder)
- Print the sections
- Work on the sections individually
- Preview or print an individual section in a binder, selected sections in a binder, or the entire binder
- Print the same header and footer for all sections in the binder, or create a different header and footer for each section

If the information you want to organize is only in Word, you can keep it in one Word document and [use section breaks to separate sections and vary the layout and formatting](#). To combine and organize related Word documents but maintain the information in separate documents, you can [use a master document and subdocuments](#).

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Starting Office Binder

To start the Office Binder program, click the Microsoft Windows **Start** button, point to **Programs**, point to **Office Tools**, and then click **Microsoft Binder**. If the **Microsoft Binder** command or the Binder icon is not available, run the Microsoft Windows installer again to install Office Binder. How to [install a program or component of Office](#).

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Creating a binder

To create a new binder, click **New Binder** on the **File** menu in Office Binder. When you're working in the Office Binder window, the left pane shows the sections that make up the binder you're working on, and the right pane shows the active section. The files you add to the binder can be new, blank files or existing files. To add an existing file to a binder, drag the file from Microsoft Windows Explorer to the left pane of the Office Binder window, or click **Add from File** on the **Section** menu in Office Binder.

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Getting more information about Office Binder

On the **Help** menu in **Office Binder**, point to **Binder Help**, and then click **Microsoft Office Binder Help**.

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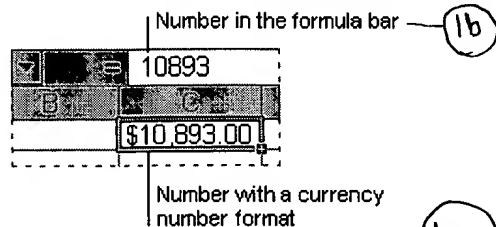
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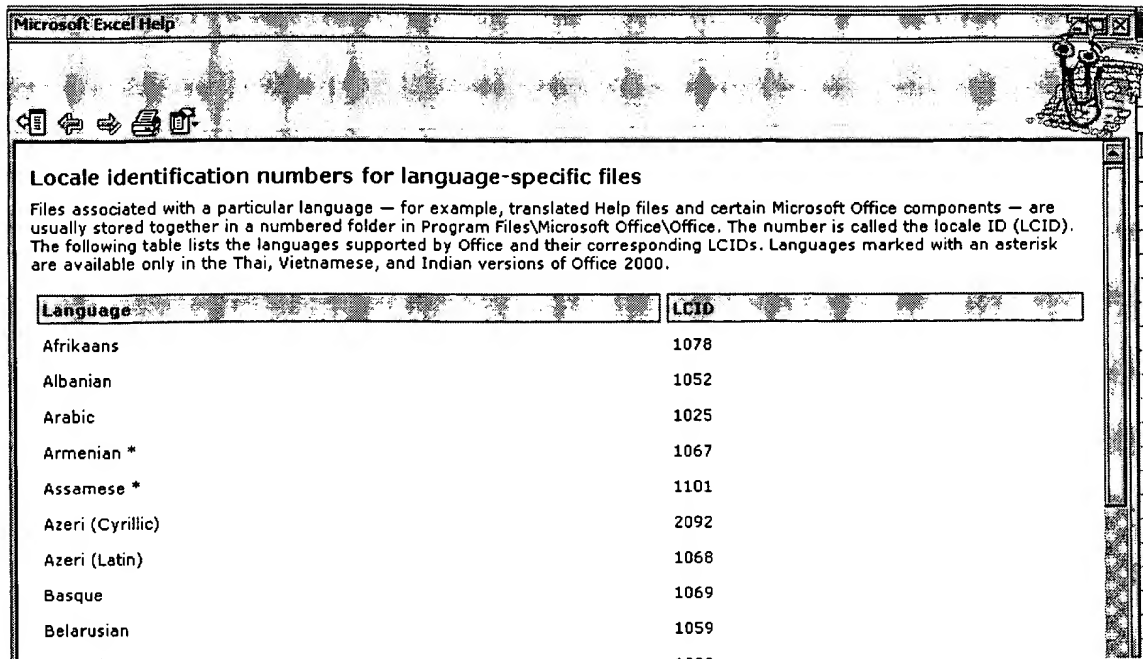
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Format Cells [?] [X]

Number Alignment Font Border Patterns Protection

Category: Sample:

General	
Number	
Currency	
Accounting	
Date	3/14
Time	3/14/98
Percentage	03/14/98
Fraction	14-Mar
Scientific	14-Mar-98
Text	14-Mar-98
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Custom	March-98

Type:

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OK Cancel

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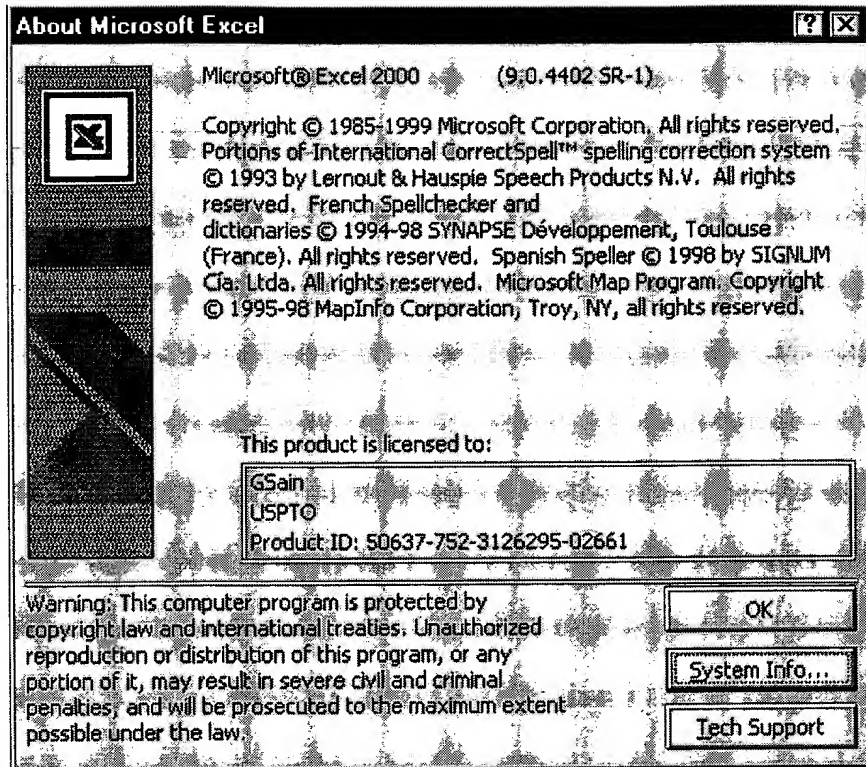
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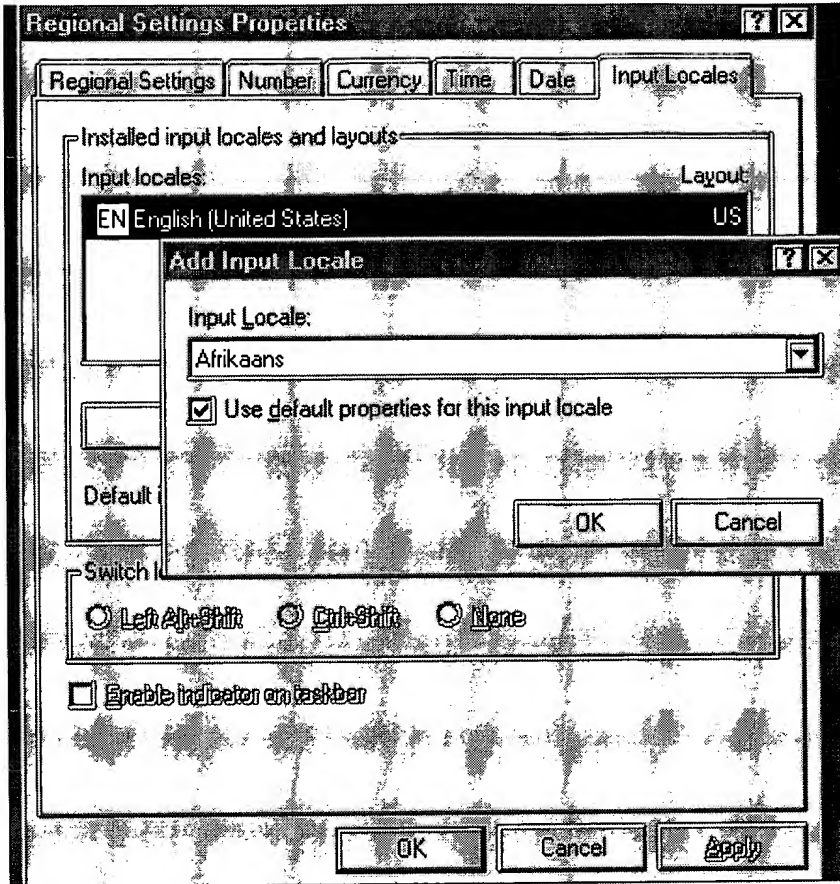
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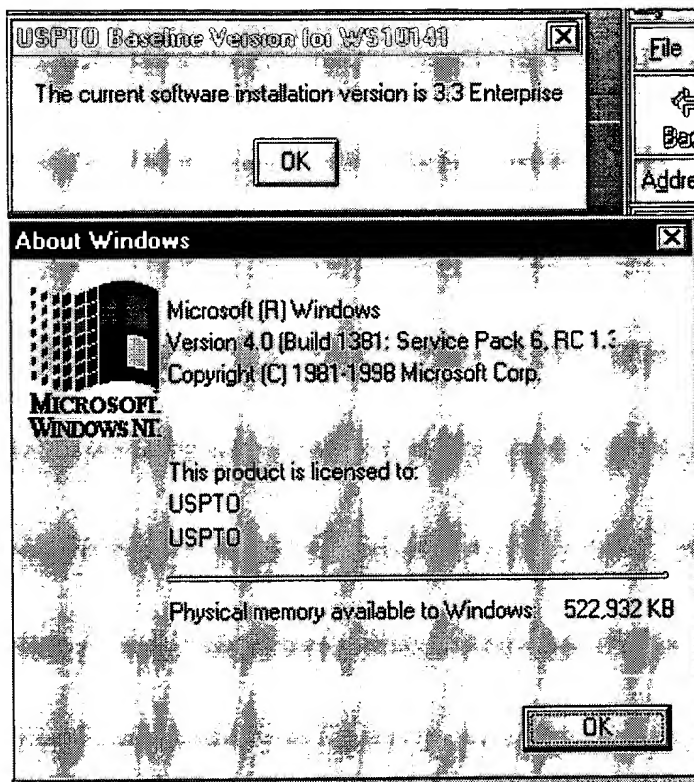
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Change the appearance of text in an AutoShape or text box

1. Select the text in the AutoShape or text box that you want to change.
2. If you selected an AutoShape, click **AutoShape** on the **Format** menu, and then click the **Font** tab.
If you selected a text box, click **Text Box** on the **Format** menu, and then click the **Font** tab.
3. Select the options you want.
For Help on an option, click the question mark  and then click the option.

Additional resources

About number format codes for decimal places, spaces, colors, and conditions

Use number format codes to create a custom number format.

Decimal points and significant digits To format fractions or numbers with decimal points, include the following digit placeholders in a section. If a number has more digits to the right of the decimal point than there are placeholders in the format, the number rounds to as many decimal places as there are placeholders. If there are more digits to the left of the decimal point than there are placeholders, the extra digits are displayed. If the format contains only number signs (#) to the left of the decimal point, numbers less than 1 begin with a decimal point.

- # displays only significant digits and does not display insignificant zeros.
- 0 (zero) displays insignificant zeros if a number has fewer digits than there are zeros in the format.
- ? adds spaces for insignificant zeros on either side of the decimal point so that decimal points align when formatted with a fixed-width font, such as Courier New. You can also use ? for fractions that have varying numbers of digits.

To display	Use this code
1234.59 as 1234.6	####.#
8.9 as 8.900	#.000
.631 as 0.6	0.#
12 as 12.0 and 1234.568 as 1234.57	#.0#
44.398, 102.65, and 2.8 with aligned decimals	???.???
5.25 as 5 1/4 and 5.3 as 5 3/10, with aligned division symbols	# ???/???

Thousands separator To display a comma as a thousands separator or to scale a number by a multiple of one thousand, include a comma in the number format.

To display	Use this code
12000 as 12,000	#,###
12000 as 12	#,
12200000 as 12.2	0.0,,

Color To set the color for a section of the format, type the name of one of the following eight colors in square brackets in the section. The color code must be the first item in the section.

[Black]	[Blue]
[Cyan]	[Green]
[Magenta]	[Red]
[White]	[Yellow]

Conditions To set number formats that will be applied only if a number meets a condition you specify, enclose the condition in square brackets. The condition consists of a comparison operator and a value. For example, the following format displays numbers less than or equal to 100 in a red font and numbers greater than 100 in a blue font.

[Red][<=100];[Blue][>100]

To apply conditional formats to cells — for example, color shading that depends on the value of a cell — use the **Conditional Formatting** command on the **Format** menu.

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Microsoft Excel Help		
How Microsoft Excel converts values in formulas		
When you enter a formula, Microsoft Excel expects certain types of values for each operator. If you enter a different type of value than is expected, Microsoft Excel sometimes is able to convert the value.		
The formula	Produces	Explanation
=1"+2"	3	When you use a plus sign (+), Microsoft Excel expects numbers in the formula. Even though the quotation marks mean that "1" and "2" are text values, Microsoft Excel automatically converts the text values to numbers.
=1+"\$4.00"	5	When a formula expects a number, Microsoft Excel converts text if it is in a format that would usually be accepted for a number.
=6/1/2001"-5/1/2001"	31	Microsoft Excel interprets the text as a date in the mm/dd/yy format, converts the dates to serial numbers, and then calculates the difference between them.
=SQRT("8+1")	#VALUE!	Microsoft Excel cannot convert the text to a number because the text "8+1" cannot be converted to a number. If you use "9" or "8"+"1" instead of "8+1", the formula will convert the text to a number and return the result of 3.
=A"&TRUE	ATRUE	When text is expected, Microsoft Excel converts numbers and logical values such as TRUE and FALSE to text.

Locale identification numbers for language-specific files

Files associated with a particular language — for example, translated Help files and certain Microsoft Office components — are usually stored together in a numbered folder in Program Files\Microsoft Office\Office. The number is called the locale ID (LCID). The following table lists the languages supported by Office and their corresponding LCIDs. Languages marked with an asterisk are available only in the Thai, Vietnamese, and Indian versions of Office 2000.

Language	LCID
Afrikaans	1078
Albanian	1052
Arabic	1025
Armenian *	1067
Assamese *	1101
Azeri (Cyrillic)	2092
Azeri (Latin)	1068
Basque	1069
Belarusian	1059
Bengali *	1093
Bulgarian	1026
Catalan	1027
Chinese (Simplified)	2052
Chinese (Traditional)	1028
Croatian	1050
Czech	1029
Danish	1030
Dutch	1043
English (Australian)	3081
English (Canadian)	4105
English (U.K.)	2057
English (U.S.)	1033
Estonian	1061
Faeroese	1080
Farsi	1065
Finnish	1035
French	1036
French (Canadian)	3084
Frisian	1122
Georgian *	1079

German	1031
German (Austrian)	3079
German (Swiss)	2055
Greek	1032
Gujarati *	1095
Hebrew	1037
Hindi *	1081
Hungarian	1038
Icelandic	1039
Indonesian	1057
Italian	1040
Japanese	1041
Kannada *	1099
Kashmiri *	1120
Kazakh	1087
Konkani *	1111
Korean	1042
Latvian	1062
Lithuanian	1063
Lithuanian (Classic)	2087
Macedonian	1071
Malay	1086
Malayalam *	1100
Manipuri *	1112
Marathi *	1102
Nepali *	1121
Norwegian Bokmal	1044
Norwegian Nynorsk	2068
Oriya *	1096
Polish	1045
Portuguese (Brazil)	1046
Portuguese (Portugal)	2070
Punjabi *	1094
Romanian	1048
Russian	1049

Sanskrit *	1103
Serbian (Cyrillic)	3098
Serbian (Latin)	2074
Sindhi *	1113
Slovak	1051
Slovenian	1060
Spanish	3082
Swahili	1089
Swedish	1053
Tamil *	1097
Tatar	1092
Telugu *	1098
Thai *	1054
Turkish	1055
Ukrainian	1058
Urdu	1056
Uzbek (Cyrillic)	2115
Uzbek (Latin)	1091
Vietnamese *	1066

Create a custom number format

1. Select the cells you want to format.
2. On the **Format** menu, click **Cells**, and then click the **Number** tab.



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3. In the **Category** list, click a category, and then click a built-in format that resembles the one you want.
4. In the **Category** list, click **Custom**.
5. In the **Type** box, edit the number format codes to create the format you want.

Editing a built-in format does not remove the format.

You can specify up to four sections of format codes. The sections, separated by semicolons, define the formats for positive numbers, negative numbers, zero values, and text, in that order. If you specify only two sections, the first is used for positive numbers and zeros, and the second is used for negative numbers. If you specify one section, all numbers use that format. If you skip a section, include the ending semicolon for that section.

	Format for positive numbers		Format for zeros
#,###.00_)	;	[Red] (#,###.00)	;0.00;"sales "@
Format for negative numbers		Format for text	

Use format codes that describe how you want to display a number, date or time, currency, percentage, or scientific notation, and text or spacing.

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Access security: Create a new workgroup information file

Assistance > Office 2000 > Access 2000

Applies to

Microsoft Access 97 and 2000

If you don't already have a workgroup information file with a unique workgroup ID (WID), creating a new workgroup information file is the first step in securing an Access database - and one of the most important.

When you install Access, you enter a user name and organization. The installation program automatically creates a new Access workgroup information file that is identified by the user name and organization you specified. Because information is often easy to determine, it's possible for unauthorized users to create another version of this workgroup information file and consequently assume the irrevocable permissions of an administrator account member of the Admins group) in the workgroup defined by that workgroup information file. To prevent this, create a new workgroup information file, and specify a workgroup ID (WID). Only someone who knows the WID will be able to create a copy of the workgroup information file.

Another reason to create a new workgroup information file is that if you secure an Access database without a new workgroup information file, and you then remove Microsoft Access or Microsoft Office, the default workgroup information file may also be removed. If you have secured your database without creating a new workgroup information file, and if the default workgroup information file is removed, you will no longer be able to access the database. Although it's possible to rebuild your workgroup information file if you have all the necessary information, this can be a time-consuming process.

Creating a New Workgroup Information File

In Access 2000, you can use the User-Level Security Wizard (**Tools** menu, **Security** submenu) to secure a database. You can have the wizard create a new workgroup information file for you. You can also have the wizard generate a report that contains all the information you would need to re-create your workgroup information file.

If you implement security without the wizard, or if you are working in a previous version of Access, you need to create the new workgroup information file on your own.

Create a new workgroup information file without a wizard

1. If you are running Access, exit it.
2. In the location listed in the following table, double-click **Wrkgadm.exe** to open the Workgroup Administrator, and then click **Create**.

Version of Access Default location of Wrkgadm.exe

Access 2000	\Program Files\Microsoft Office\Office\LanguageID
Access 97	\Windows\System\
Access 95	\MSOffice\Access\
Access 2.0	Directory where you have installed Access 2.0.

Note In the default location for Access 2000, *LanguageID* is the number that corresponds to the version of Office you're running - for example, 1033 for U.S. English. For a list of language identification numbers, type **locale identification numbers** in the Office Assistant or on the **Answer Wizard** Help window, click **Search**, and then click **Locale identification numbers for language-specific information**. Alternatively, you can use the **MS Access Workgroup Administrator** shortcut in the \Program Files\Microsoft Office\Office folder.

3. In the **Workgroup Owner Information** dialog box, type values in the **Name**, **Organization**, and **Workgroup ID** boxes. Your workgroup ID can be any combination of up to 20 numbers and letters down the exact values you enter - including whether letters are uppercase or lowercase - and keep the secure place.

Workgroup Owner Information

The new workgroup information file is identified by the name, organization, and case-sensitive workgroup ID you specify. Use the name and organization information below, or enter a different name or organization. If you want to ensure that your workgroup is unique, also enter a unique workgroup ID of up to 20 numbers or letters.

Name:

Organization:

Workgroup ID:

When you create a new workgroup information file, type a unique value in the **Workgroup ID** box.

4. In the **Workgroup Information File** dialog box, type a new name for the workgroup information file, click **OK**. If you want to save the new workgroup information file to a different location, type a new path, click **Browse** to specify the new path.
5. Continue to secure your database. After you have defined users and groups and secured your data, make a backup copy of your new workgroup information file and keep it in a secure place.

If the workgroup information file is damaged or deleted, you lose access to any database you have with the user and group accounts that are stored in this file. If this happens, you can restore access to secured databases by restoring a backup copy of this file.

If no backup is available, you can re-create an identical copy of the workgroup information file by using this procedure and using the values that you wrote down in step 3. After you have re-created the replacement file, you must re-create the user and group accounts that existed in the original workgroup information file.

Additional Resources

For more information about removal of your workgroup information file when you uninstall Access or Office, see the following article in the Microsoft Knowledge Base:

OFF2000: Uninstalling Microsoft Access or Microsoft Office removes System.mdw and sample databases.


For more information about the steps to secure a database, as well as other answers to frequently asked questions about Access security, see the Access Security FAQ Document, available from the Microsoft Personal Support Center.

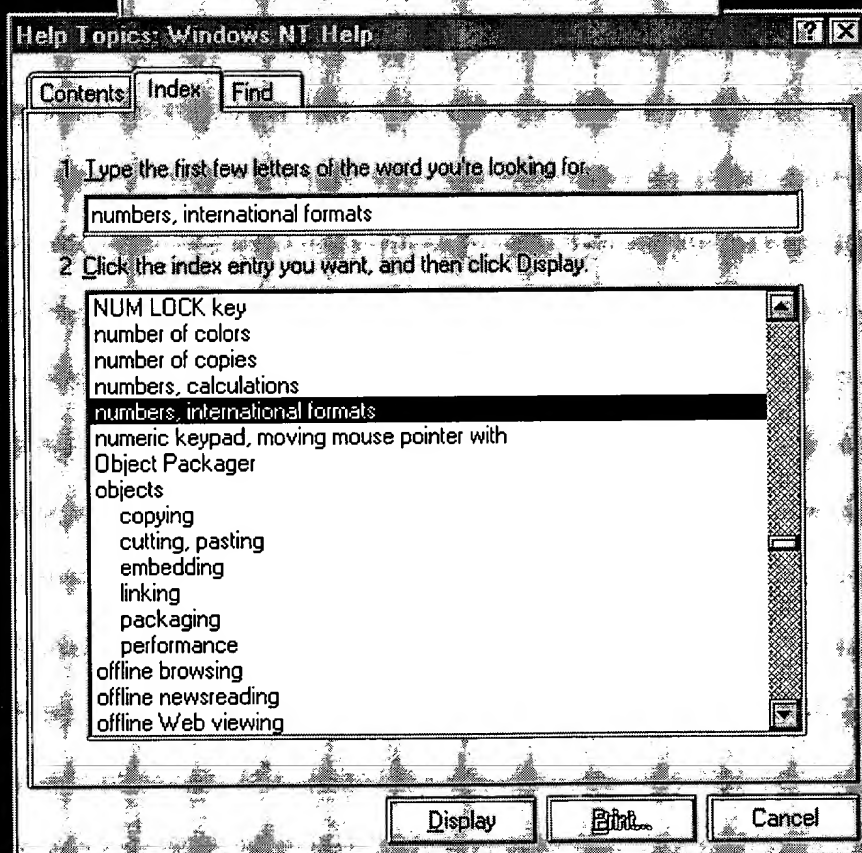
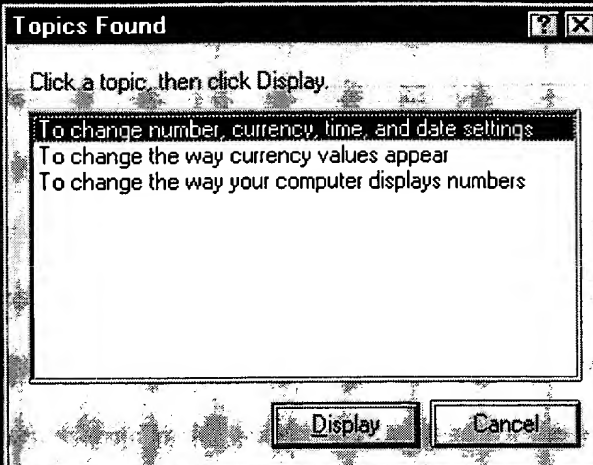
For more information about using security in Access, see the *Microsoft Office 2000/Visual Basic Programmer's Guide* (Microsoft Press, 1999).

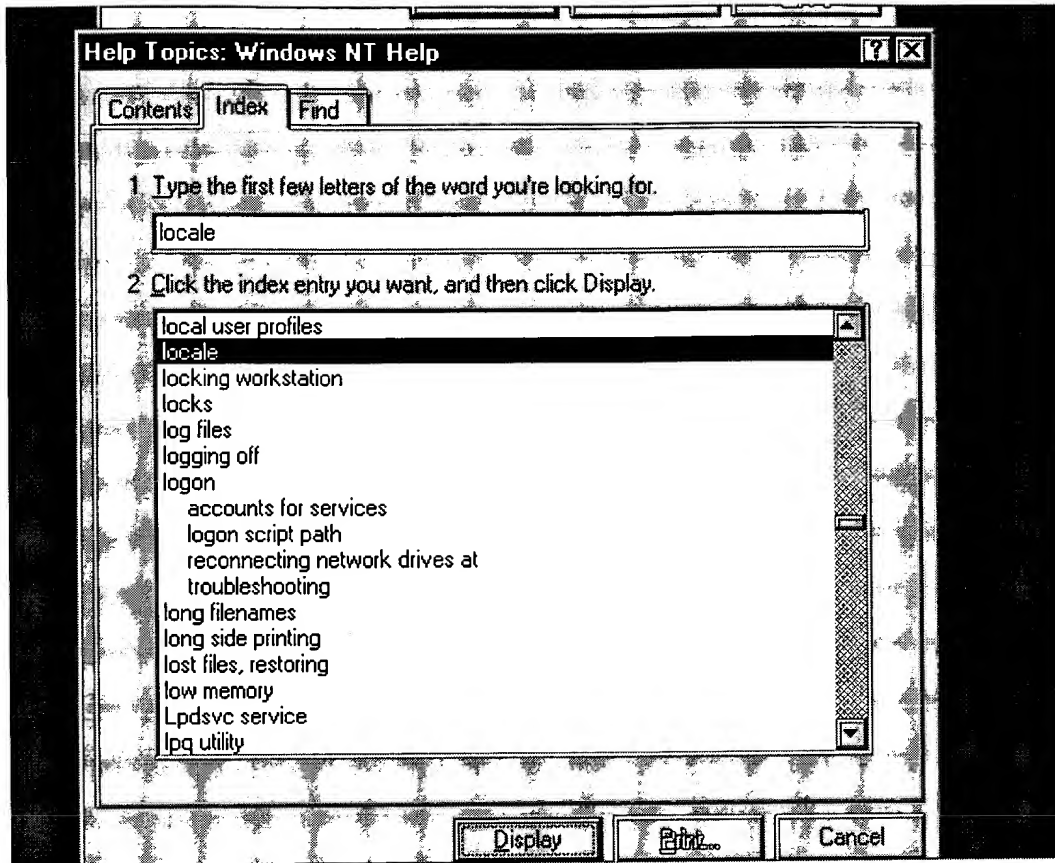
Information about Access security is also available in Help - see the topics listed in the following table.

For more information about	In Access Help, read
Working with workgroup information files	Work with a workgroup information file
Creating a new workgroup information file	Create a new Microsoft Access workgroup information file
Access security in general	About protecting a Microsoft Access database
Using a wizard to secure a database	Secure a database by using the User-Level Security Wizard
Re-creating your workgroup information file	Rebuild a workgroup information file from user and group names and IDs

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Format Cells [?] [X]

Number Alignment Font Border Patterns Protection

Category:

- General
- Number
- Currency
- Accounting
- Date
- Time
- Percentage
- Fraction
- Scientific
- Text
- Special
- Custom

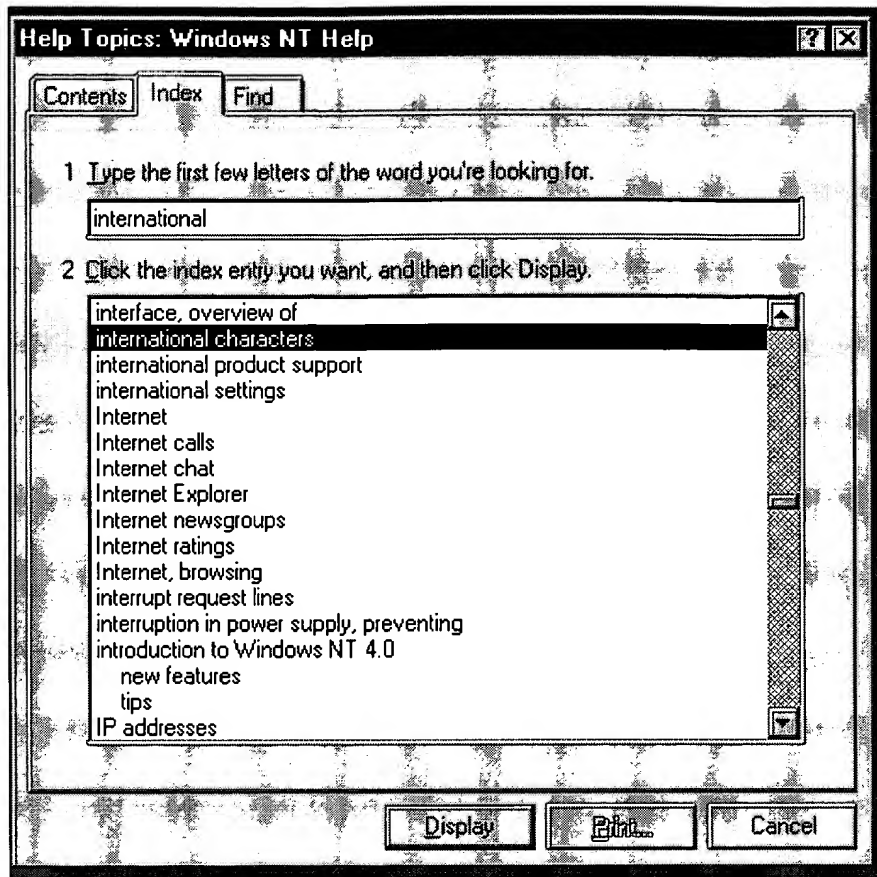
Sample:

Type:

- Zip Code
- Zip Code + 4
- Phone Number
- Social Security Number

Special formats are useful for tracking list and database values.

OK Cancel



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Category:

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Sample:

Decimal places: 2

☐ Use 1000 Separator (,)

Negative numbers:

- 1234.10
- 1234.10
- (1234.10)
- (1234.10)

Number is used for general display of numbers. Currency and Accounting offer specialized formatting for monetary value.

OK Cancel

Format Cells [?] [X]

Number Alignment **Font** Border Patterns Protection

Font: Wide Latin

Font style: Regular

Size: 10

High Tower Text

Humanst521 Cn BT

Humanst521 Lt BT

Humanst521 UBd BT

Regular

Italic

Bold

Bold Italic

8

9

10

11

Underline: None

Color: Automatic ☐ Normal font

Effects

☐ Strikethrough

☐ Superscript

☐ Subscript

Preview

AaBbCcYyZz

This is a TrueType font. The same font will be used on both your printer and your screen.

OK Cancel